Noes—Messrs. Bryant of Halifax, Bryan of Jones, Bunn, Buxton, Collis, Copeland, Crawford, Dudley, Duckworth, Ellison, Faulkner, Fletcher, French, Harris of Franklin, Hargrove, Hardy, Hinnant, Johnson of Edgecombe, Jones of Northampton, Justice, Lyon, Mabson, Morris, Morgan of Wake, Page, Parrott, Reavis, Robbins, Rollins, Smith of Halifax, Tucker, White, Willis, Williamson and Young of Wake—35.

Mr. Justice raised the point of order that it required, under the rules now in force, a two thirds vote to suspend the rules. The point was sustained and the bill went over.

Mr. Sparrow reported from Joint Committee to wait upon the Governor, that he would communicate with the House at $12\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, P. M., and on motion of Mr. French the House took a recess till that hour.

The House being called to order, Mr. Welch introduced a resolution to the effect that this House assemble in the Hall to-morrow at 10 o'clock A. M., and participate as an organized body in the Lee Memorial ceremonies, and the resolution was adopted.

The message of the Governor was then received and read.

"Executive Department, Raleigh, Nov. 22, 1870.

To the Honoroble,

the General Assembly of North Carolina:

Gentlemen:—The people have committed to you the Legislative authority of the State. It is your duty to enact laws, and it is the duty of the Judiciary to expound, and of the Executive to enforce these laws. Our form of government is thus a simple one. It derives all its force and efficiency from the people. They established it, and they alone, through the forms prescribed in the Constitution, have the right to modify or change it. Very important trusts have been reposed in you.